

REMARKS

**In further response to the Official Action [Final Rejection] mailed August 25, 2003, and the Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116, filed January 26, 2004, and further to the Advisory Action mailed February 18, 2004, Applicants present the following remarks.

The Advisory Action indicated that the Terminal Disclaimer filed January 26, 2004, was not signed by an attorney of record. To correct this oversight, Applicants are re-submitting the Terminal Disclaimer signed by an attorney of record.

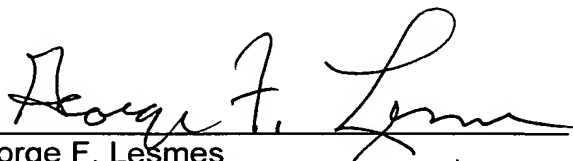
From the foregoing, further and favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance is believed to be next in order and such action is earnestly solicited. If there are any questions concerning this paper or the application in general, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (703) 838-6683 at his earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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